NIMS COURSES Q464 and Q466 do not Satisfy 300/400 level Training

Two new courses have come out of the National Fire Academy (NFA) concerning O464 and O466 level training.

Many inquiries have been made concerning these courses and if they meet the ICS-300 and ICS-400 level requirements.

Please read the information closely!

They are both "Pre-course modules or refresher training". It even states "Completion of Q464 and Q466 alone does not satisfy the requirements for ICS 300 and ICS 400."

Although these courses may assist in preparing participants for successful completion of the class room courses, they do not meet, replace, nor substitute for the 300/400 courses.

A copy of the release below:

Two New Self-Study Courses Offered by the National Fire Academy

EMMITSBURG, MD. – The U.S. Fire Administration's (USFA) National Fire Academy (NFA) announced today that two new self-study courses are available through NFA Online. These new courses – ICS-300: Intermediate All-Hazard NIMS ICS Review for Expanding Incidents (Q464) and ICS-400: Fundamentals Review for Command and General Staff (Q466) – can be used as pre-course modules or refresher training for the classroom-based ICS 300 and ICS 400 courses delivered nationwide by State fire training agencies.

"These new courses incorporate the most recent changes to the National Response Framework and provide an excellent review tool for firefighters," said U.S. Fire Administrator Greg Cade. "The material presented in these online courses will better prepare the participants to be successful in the required classroom portion of the NFA's Incident Command program offerings."

Completion of Q464 and Q466 alone does not satisfy the requirements for ICS 300 and ICS 400. To access these and other self-study courses, visit NFA Online and select Browse Catalog or New Student.

Twelve courses are available through NFA Online in the following curriculum areas: Emergency Medical Services, Emergency Response to Terrorism, Fire Prevention, Incident Management, Management Science, and Public Education. In the coming weeks, several *Incident Command Simulation Series* courses will be released, as well as the revised *National Fire Incident Reporting System Self-Study*.